



CLAY SPRINGS FIRE

07/03/2012 AM Update

Fire Facts:

Location: Millard Co. Utah

Size: 102,699 acres

Date Started: 06/27/2012

Cause: Under investigation

Percent Contained: 48%

Resources: 32 engines, 6 water tenders, 17 dozers, 17 handcrews, 7 helicopters

Injuries to Date: 2

Total Personnel: 670

Residences threatened: 100

Outbuildings threatened: 25

Fire Update.

The Clay Springs Fire burned actively throughout the night due to continued dry conditions. Last night was quiet on the southern end. The fire did not cross any containment lines. Far from the active perimeter, some isolated groups of trees not consumed earlier, ignited together. Firefighters observed burning so intense that little fuel remained.

Crews have constructed dozer line in the vicinity of Whiskey Creek Canyon and Blue Mountain to check the fire spread south and east in that area. The fire has burned Hardscrabble Canyon, and has turned to the north on the flat terrain parallel to the buried 36-inch diameter Kern River natural gas pipeline. The fire has gone beyond the buried pipeline by a few acres, but has been contained. Firefighters have stopped fire spread by conducting burnouts, building dozer lines and hand lines.

The fire did move a few hundred acres on the northern end near Highway 132, burning up to the holding line. Highway 132 remains open.

Smoke will be visible in the local communities around the fire and people with health problems can have increased difficulty. Please avoid the smoke if possible.

Southern California Incident Management Team 1 is managing the fire and working closely with Utah State, BLM, and USFS fire management personnel to suppress the fire. Local volunteer fire departments continue to provide excellent support to suppression efforts.

*** Please remember to celebrate the 4th of July safely and remember follow the statewide fire restrictions.***

Weather: 95 degrees, Relative Humidity 7%, Winds 9 mph gusting to 32 mph.

Current Evacuations: No evacuations are currently in effect

Communities Potentially Threatened: Mills/Levan, Scipio, Nephi, and Leamington.

Road Closures: Oak Canyon Road (Oak City)

Public Information: 909/379-9339 and 951/240-1124

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Media: Please check in with Clay Springs Fire Information at the public information numbers above.